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# TECH NEWS



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NO. 6

## BASKETBALL EXCURSION RESULTS IN DOUBLE WIN FOR TECH

Connecticut Aggies Defeated Once More

STEVENS GOES DOWN ON THE NEXT NIGHT

Two more victims. Nothing can stop them now. The Tech basketball team, in their invasion of Connecticut and New York Friday and Saturday of last week, added two more victories to their fast-growing list. Tech tackled the strong Connecticut Aggies basketball five on Friday night and threw them for a big loss. The final result was 34 to 22 in our favor. This makes our second victory over this team, as we had already defeated them in this city last January. It was some game right up to the closing minutes. Then Tech out-distanced them by a barrage of the Connecticut team's basket.

### AT FIRST A TIE IN SECOND HALF

The score at the close of the first half was 19 to 11 in our favor. In the second half the Connecticut team in some way managed to tie up the score. But it was only for a few seconds. The above-mentioned barrage was started and when the smoke cleared away the game was all sewed up. Coach Swasey was seen in a corner of the gym, a large smile on his face, busily engaged in making an entry in a certain small notebook. We found out that he was trying to add up the score. It was some job, for in the last five minutes we were credited with scoring 11 points. Stoughton led in scoring in the game for Tech, with four to his credit. Kushner got two field goals and seven free tries.

Coach Swasey started the following men; Campbell, Steele, forwards; McCaffrey center; Pickwick, Mossberg, guards. Kushner replaced Campbell in the last part of the first half. In the second half Stoughton went in, taking Steele's position while Carlson replaced Pickwick.

Connecticut showed the same lineup that they had in Worcester in the last game. Coach Swasey was pleased with the showing of all the players.

### PLENTY OF SPIRIT AT CONNECTICUT

There was a large gathering of Connecticut students present and they did their best to cheer their team on to victory. Tech was not to be denied, however, and they gave as fine an exhibition of clean basketball playing as has been seen in Connecticut for many moons. The opposing players were loud

in their praise of our team and say that Tech is the best team they have been up against this season. Rockwood starred for Connecticut, getting four baskets and playing a fine all-around game.

Men, we have got some team; let's get behind it. Don't forget the game with Massachusetts Aggies next Saturday.

The lineup and score was as follows:  
TECH—34 22—CONN. AGGIES  
Steele, Stoughton lf rg, Prescott  
Campbell, Kushner rf lg, Ryan  
McCaffrey c c, Elcock  
Mossberg lg rf, Dean  
Pickwick, Carlson rg lf, Rockwood  
Baskets caged from the floor: Stoughton 4, Kushner 2, Steele 2, McCaffrey 2, Mossberg 2, Rockwood 4, Dean 2, Ryan 2, Elcock. Free tries caged: Kushner 7, Mossberg 3, Rockwood 4.

### AND THEN STEVENS WAS NEXT

In the Saturday night game against the was-champion Stevens Institute team in Hoboken, Tech had a little stiffer opposition to work against. It was the same old story, however, and Tech won out, 33 to 28. When Tech got started—and they started right at the beginning—there was no chance for any other result. They kept the ball slamming against Stevens basket so often that it brought out the Hoboken Home Guard. Tech played the best game of the season in Saturday night's game. From the start they kept plugging away.

### OUR TEAM WORK RIGHT THERE

Their wonderful teamwork that they have developed to the nth degree completely bewildered the Hobokens, who could not follow them at all. It was a triumph of the highest branch of basketball science over an inferior grade. Each Tech player knew just where the Stevens' basket was and practically every shot went in.

Tech was represented by Kushner and Stoughton, forwards; McCaffrey, center; Pickwick and Carlson guards. Kushner and Stoughton gave a wonderful exhibition of the whys and wherefores of the forwards' positions. It was a treat in itself to watch them take the

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### THE AFTERMATH

The work on the Aftermath is progressing rapidly. The committee has already received several bids from printing establishments in regard to the price of publication, but no information has yet been given out.

The nature of the book this year will be more complete than last year, the quality of the Class Book being kept up to its usual high standard. Most of the cuts and sections, which were omitted last year, will be in this year's Aftermath.

The business staff has already started to get advertisements, and assignments are being distributed among the Seniors. One man from each course has been elected to assist the editors. From all appearances, the Aftermath of this year will be well worth purchasing.

### DEPARTMENT OF CHEMISTRY

Lieut. R. W. T. Ricker, '16, visited the chemical laboratory on Wednesday. Lieut. Ricker is back from air service on the Italian front, where for the past six months he has been driving a Carproni bombing plane and contributing his bit to hasten the return of the Austrians to their fatherland.

On Wednesday evening Professor Jennings gave a talk before the Worcester branch of Sigma Xi on "Chemistry in Warfare."

Dr. Bonnet was again a visitor on the Hill. Fortunately a NEWS reporter was able to interview him. Dr. Bonnet said that he is now called "Director of the Forsyth Experimental Laboratory," at Landing, New Jersey. Dr. Bonnet was formerly at the United States Ammonium Nitrate plant at Perryville, Maryland. The laboratory, he is now director of, is one connected with the Atlas Powder Co., and is for working out industrial problems. Leroy S. Converse, '16, is also working at this laboratory.

### NEWMAN CLUB MEETING

The Newman Club held its monthly meeting in the reception room of the gymnasium last Tuesday evening. About twenty-five members were present to listen to a talk by the Rev. William J. Foran of this city. It was decided to postpone the annual reception and dance until late in the spring.

### ALUMNUS TO LECTURE HERE

Clarence W. Chadwick, C. S. B., who graduated in the M. E. Dept., class of 1888, will deliver a lecture on Christian Science, Thursday evening, February 20, in Mechanics' hall.

### TECH COUNCIL MEETS

At a meeting of the Tech Council held last Tuesday several matters were discussed, most important of which was the annual Tech Night at Poli's. A committee, consisting of Austin H. Welch, '19, chairman, and H. E. Drake, '20, and Fred P. Millard, '21, were appointed to make the necessary arrangements for the celebration. Judah H. Humphrey was elected presiding officer of the council.

### WORCESTER TECH VS. YALE

During the past week there have been numerous rumors around to the effect that there will be a basketball game with Yale. While Mgr. Sessions has not, as yet, been able to close a date, the results of last Friday and Saturday should help matters. It is true, that if Tech keeps up the pace at which she is now going (and she will), Yale will have to defeat Worcester Tech before she has a clear title to the New England collegiate basketball championship. After last week's showing Tech men have a right to feel that their team could show something in basketball to the Yale quintet, and for this reason a game with the Bull-Dog will be pushed to the limit.

### COMMENCEMENT DATE DECIDED

Last week the Faculty decided that the regular Commencement Exercises of the Institute shall come on Wednesday, June 25. It is expected that the Alumni reunion will be very well attended, as it will be the first real opportunity for the "old boys" to come back and get together since the war started.

### ENSIGN STEVENS, EX-'20, MARRIED

Ensign Frederick C. Stevens, ex-'20, was recently married to Miss Ruth Marshall at Annapolis, Maryland. Stevens left Tech last Spring to go into active service in the Navy. He was an associate editor on the NEWS and a member of Sigma Alpha Epsilon.

### CALENDAR

**Tuesday**—Come out for Rifle Practice.  
**Wednesday**—Basketball. Phi Sigma Kappa vs. Sigma Alpha Epsilon.  
Alpha Tau Omega vs. Phi Gamma Delta.  
**Saturday**—Basketball. Varsity W. P. I. vs. M. A. C.  
Inter-Fraternity. Lambda Chi Alpha vs. Phi Sigma Kappa.  
**Sunday**—Go to church again.  
**Monday**—Tech NEWS Assignments, 5:00 p. m.

Celebrate these Basketball Victories at Putnam & Thurston's.

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## BOOST TECH

## EDITORIAL

Fair criticism is very helpful towards the building up of a good college paper. Those of experience can do much for the NEWS by offering advice. Nevertheless, the value of public criticism is to be questioned. If no improvement follows suggestions given to those responsible, it might be conceded by some that a public declamation would be of value. But there is no constructiveness in the suggestion of a funeral pyre.

We believe that the proper and upright way of getting improvements on an enterprise does not originate in public channels. In other words, if there is something wrong, tell us quickly and tell us first.

It has been rumored about the Hill during the past week that efforts are being made to get all Tech men together for a smoker. This undertaking receives our heartiest endorsement, and should receive the approbation of every friend of the Institute.

We take this opportunity to suggest that the smoker be held in the gymnasium and that every undergraduate, and graduate, every member of the faculty, and every benefactor of our school, be extended a cordial invitation.

Such a gathering would bring us all closer together, in a way previously

untried. The regime of the S. A. T. C. found us all in new and unaccustomed relationships and there was little opportunity for sons of Tech to gather with the purpose of boosting their Alma Mater.

Let us have one big night—a Tech smoker—and let us have it soon for the good that it would accomplish is unbounded.

## Basketball Excursion Results in Double Win for Tech

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ball down the floor. McCaffrey was in the right place every time and followed the ball like a hawk. Nothing need be said of the defence work of Carlson and Pickwick. The score tells the whole tale. Time and again they blocked what seemed like sure scores for Stevens. Besides playing a wonderful defensive game Pickwick took a few side trips down the floor to send the ball through for two scores. Stoughton led in basket scoring from Tech, with four to his credit. Mac was one behind and Kushner was two behind. Kushner also gave a demonstration of how to shoot free tries. He sent in 11 out of 13 tries. He also gave the Stevens rooters a few pointers on floor work. He was all over the floor, breaking up plays and feeding the ball to Stoughton.

## STEVENS HAD CLEVER FORWARD

For the home players Headden at at right forward showed up best. He obtained nine field goals and six free tries for a total of twenty-four points. Over four hundred fans were present and were rewarded by seeing one of the finest exhibitions of basketball playing that has been seen in Hoboken for a long time.

Coach Swasey was very much gratified at the showing and expects the team will go through the remainder of the season without sustaining a defeat. The next game will be played in this city next Saturday night, and it is up to the student body to show that they appreciate the team's great work. Bring your friends also; give them a treat. Tech has the best basketball team in the East at the present time. It's up to the students now, to back them up. This is the lineup that won for us last Saturday night:

TECH—33      28—STEVENS INST.  
Kushner rf      lg. High  
Stoughton lf      rg. Drew  
McCaffrey c      c. Chadney  
Carlson rg      lf. Donnelly  
Pickwick lg      rf. Headden  
Baskets caged from floor: Stoughton 4, McCaffrey 3, Kushner 2, Pickwick 2, Headden 9, Chadney, Drew. Free tries caged: Kushner 11, Headden 6.

## FRESHMEN ELECT

At a meeting of the entire Freshman class last Friday noon, the model class constitution provided by the Tech Council was accepted and the following officers were elected: president, Edwin L. Sholz of Gardner; vice president, Edward H. Colesworthy of Worcester; secretary, Philip White of Clinton; treasurer, Howard P. Putnam of Worcester.

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## INTER-FRATERNITY BASKET-BALL STANDING

At present there is a triple tie in the "thousand" per cent division. At least a part of it will be decided tomorrow.

Team	Won	Lost	P. C.
Alpha Tau Omega	2	0	1.000
Phi Sigma Kappa	2	0	1.000
Sigma Alpha Epsilon	2	0	1.000
Phi Gamma Delta	1	1	.500
Independents	1	1	.500
Theta Chi	1	2	.333
Delta Tau	0	2	.000
Lambda Chi Alpha	0	3	.000

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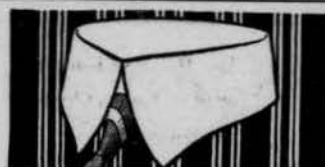
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Wednesday afternoon at 5:15 two of  
 the best inter-fraternity basketball  
 games seen on the Hill so far were  
 played between Phi Sigma Kappa vs.  
 Delta Tau, and Lambda Chi Alpha vs.  
 Theta Chi. Phi Sigma Kappa was the  
 victor over Delta Tau to the tune of  
 25 to 5, but the score was no indicator  
 of the scrappy game that Delta Tau put  
 up. Theta Chi recorded a win over  
 Lambda Chi by the score of 13 to 8. This  
 game also proved to be an interesting  
 one.

Phi Sigma Kappa and Delta Tau  
 started things up and for the first half  
 it was anybody's game, the score at the  
 end of this period being 6 to 5 for Phi  
 Sig. In the second half, however, Tromb-  
 ley got going, and there was no stopping  
 him. Five field goals in the last half,  
 besides one in the first, was his contribu-  
 tion. Sponberg, who relieved Mon-  
 tague in the second half, and Tromb-  
 ley did a head-on imitation of the N. Y.  
 N. H. & H. R. R., with the result that  
 Sponberg was put out with a bad  
 shoulder. Bauder played a good all  
 round game for Phi Sig and Hunting-  
 ton did good work.

For Delta Tau, H. Hunt played a  
 good game, and E. Hunt showed up  
 well. Phi Sig has got a chance for the  
 championship of the inter-fraternity  
 league and from present appearances  
 ought not to come far from the top.

Score:

Phi Sigma Kappa, 25. Delta Tau, 8.  
 Bauder, rf. If, Shaw, Towle  
 Sholz, Montague, Spon-  
 berg, Currier, lf. rg, Lovell  
 Huntingtor, c. c, H. Hunt  
 White, rg. lf, Heinick, E. Hunt  
 Trombly, lg. lf, Russell  
 Field goals: Trombly 6, Huntington  
 3, Bauder 2, Montague, Russell, H.  
 Hunt, E. Hunt. Free tries: Hunting-  
 ton, H. Hunt, Lovell.

In the second game Theta Chi and  
 Lambda Chi mixed it with the result  
 as mentioned before. Although Theta  
 Chi got the jump early and held it,  
 the game was lively enough to be in-  
 teresting. For Theta Chi, Brown dupli-  
 cated his great playing of the pre-  
 vious games and was a most important  
 factor in the winning of the game.  
 Saunders, another shining light in the  
 Theta Chi fold, played a whirlwind  
 game, as usual. Kittredge and Conroy  
 worked hard for Lambda Chi but could  
 not pull the team out of the hole.

Theta Chi has a pair of forwards that

will put the team well up in the final  
 standing, if good co-operation can be  
 obtained.

Score:

Theta Chi, 19. Lambda Chi, 8.  
 Saunders, rf. lg, MacDonald  
 Brown, lf. rg, Conroy  
 Perry, c. c, Kittredge  
 Davis, rg. lf, Johnson  
 Wolcott, lg. rf, Kimball  
 Field Goals: Saunders 4, Brown 3,  
 Davis, Johnson, Conroy. Free Tries:  
 Kittredge 4, Brown 3.

This week is a big week in the league  
 as there are two games on Wednesday.  
 Phi Gamma Delta meets Alpha Tau  
 Omega and, reading from past games,  
 this one will be a hummer. Also Sigma  
 Alpha Epsilon will stack up against Phi  
 Sigma Kappa. Nuf sed. It will be some  
 game Saturday. Lambda Chi Alpha and  
 Phi Sigma Kappa will play before the  
 Varsity game. This game starts at 7:00,  
 so be sure to be there early.

**MR. HAIGIS WEDS**

The marriage of Carlton D. Haigis,  
 instructor in Physics at the Worcester  
 Polytechnic Institute, and Miss Myrtle  
 F. Toomey, 59 Pleasant street, was an-  
 nounced Feb. 5. It took place Satur-  
 day, Feb. 1, Rev. L. O. Morris officiat-  
 ing. Mr. and Mrs. Haigis started their  
 honeymoon with a long auto ride which  
 included the Mohawk trail. They are  
 at home at 59 Pleasant street.

We have already had many proofs of  
 the versatility of Mr. Haigis's accom-  
 plishments and this is an added one. He  
 enjoys delving into problems of research  
 and experiment in untried fields, so we  
 were not surprised. Many of us, how-  
 ever, were not aware that he had fallen  
 victim until we saw our classmates  
 puffing his cigars.

The many friends of Mr. Haigis cer-  
 tainly join in congratulating him and  
 we wish him the best of success and  
 happiness.

**ALUMNI NOTES**

Mr. H. F. Stuart, Alumni secretary,  
 has sent out a letter to all the secre-  
 taries of the classes holding quinquen-  
 nial reunions this June, urging them to  
 get their members here at commence-  
 ment time. There will be some rous-  
 ing reunions.

A note has been received from Ste-  
 phen A. Brooks, '16, stating that his  
 address is, at present, 9330 Miles Ave-  
 nue, Cleveland, O.

**WHO'S WHO AT TECH**

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**COME OUT FOR THE RIFLE CLUB**

The Rifle Club is preparing for active  
 service and the range is being repaired.  
 So far, only a few upper classmen have  
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Lieut. Col. Johnson has had a varied and rapid rising career. He received his early education in the Worcester schools, and graduated from the Worcester Polytechnic Institute in 1900.

He was, at the time of his enlistment, superintendent of the Northern Pacific railroad. He was sent to Russia in 1917 to aid in reorganizing the railroads there.

### MUSICAL ASSOCIATION

A meeting of the Musical Association was held Thursday afternoon in the gymnasium for the purpose of organizing, electing officers, and discussing plans for the coming season. The officers remaining from last year are: President, George W. Caldwell, '19; vice president, Frederick W. Bauder, '20. The following officers were elected to fill vacancies: general manager, Leland Stone, '20; secretary, Wolfe, '20. The Glee Club and the Mandolin Club are planning to reorganize this week.

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